

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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REAGENTS AND METHODS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.